

Abstract

**Method and Allocation Device for Allocating Pending
Requests for Data Packet Transmission at a Number of
5 Inputs to a Number of Outputs of a Packet Switching
Device in Successive Time Slots**

The present invention is related to a method for allocating
pending requests for data packet transmission at a number of
10 inputs to a number of outputs of a switching system in suc-
cessive time slots, wherein according to a matching method
the allocation of the pending requests is optimized, wherein
the matching method includes a number of steps for incremen-
tally allocating the requests, wherein as a result of each
15 step a matching information is provided, wherein in each time
slot a request information is provided, the request informa-
tion indicating the data packets at the inputs requesting
transmission to respective outputs, the matching method com-
prising the steps of providing a first request information in
20 a first time slot, performing a first step in the first time
slot depending on the first request information to obtain a
first matching information; providing a last request informa-
tion in a last time slot successive the first time slot; per-
forming a last step in the last time slot depending on the
25 last request information and depending on the first matching
information to obtain a final matching information; and as-
signing the pending data packets at the number of inputs to
the number of outputs in dependence on the final matching in-
formation.